

# WELCOME TO THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF LABOR & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS TRAINING & EDUCATION GRANT PROGRAM

WORKPLACE SAFETY....Is no accident WE CAN HELP!

# **JUST BREATH**

- We are not OSHA, we don't find you, we are not a reporting authority
- The Department of Industrial Accidents awards up to \$25,000 per fiscal year to fund preventative workplace safety training

# SIMPLE MEAT AND POTATOES GRANT

- 5 pages done all online
- No matching, no quarterly filing
- We pay 7% administrative fee not to exceed the \$25,000
- No training development or risk management assessments

#### WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

- You must be covered by Workers' Compensation in Massachusetts (M.G.L. Ch. 152)
- Municipalities, School Departments, Municipal Water & Electric Departments, DPW's.
- Police and fire departments, fisheries (Jones Act), federal workers and employees of the Commonwealth <u>are not eligible for funding</u>.

#### TIME LINE

- We operate by the fiscal year
- FY19 will be available mid April
- Usually 4-6 weeks for evaluation, processing, (longer if you have a compliance issue, or need to resubmit forms etc.)
- You should apply sooner rather than later
- Training must be completed by June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019

#### TRAINING PROVIDER

- We don't do the training, you hire a provider
- Trainers and training companies must be Massachusetts based
- A brief bio or resume and current certifications are required
- A cursory list of trainers is available on our website
- This is a convenience we do not directly recommend, you can use anyone you want
- In house trainers cannot be funded by grant funds if they are on your payroll at the time of training
- We may attend your training

#### **GET CREATIVE**

- You can hire multiple training providers
- Like businesses can apply as a group (consortium grant)
- An association can apply on behalf of their constituency
- Does your employee base need training in languages other than English?
- Priorities for funding 1<sup>st</sup> time applicants & consortium grants

# THE BUSINESS VALUE

- Preventative safety training works
- Competitive edge, companies looking to sub-contract looking into safety records
- Reduce your MOD scores to negotiate for WC premiums
- Reduce costs related to employee absence

# **QUESTIONS**

Not only do we have resources for you, we help you through the process step by step

Any questions please email us at

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